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THE STITH FAMILY.

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(XXI WILLIAM AND MARY COLLEGE QUARTERLY, p. 181 and *seq.* Id., p. 269 and *seq.*)

1. *Major John Stith,*[1] in Virginia before 1656. (21 QUARTERLY, p. 182) md. Jane, widow of Joseph Parsons, and had issue:
   2. i. Capt. John Stith,[2] md. Mary Randolph.
   3. ii. Lieut-Col. Drury Stith, d. 1741.
   4. iii. Anne Stith, md. 1681. Col. Robert Bolling.

2. *Capt. John Stith*[2] (John[1]) (21 QUARTERLY, p. 183) md. Mary Randolph, and had issue:
   5. i. Rev. William Stith, b. 1707, d. Sept. 19, 1755; md. Judith Randolph, his first cousin (7 QUARTERLY, p. 99).
   6. ii. Lieut.-Col. John Stith (erroneously stated by Dr. Johnston to have been a son of Lieut.-Col. Drury Stith) (21 QUARTERLY, p. 187), md. Elizabeth Anderson, dau. of Rev. Charles Anderson of Westover. d. *circa*, 1758.
   7. iii. Mary Randolph Stith md. (first wife of) Commissary William Dawson.

3. *Lieut.-Col. Drury Stith*[2] (John[1]) (21 QUARTERLY, p. 183) md. Susanna Bathurst, and had issue:
   6. i. Lieut.-Col. Drury Stith of Brunswick Co. d. 1740.
   ii. William Stith of Charles City County, d. 1749.
   [iii. Probably Jane, wife of Thomas Hardaway of Prince George Co., was another daughter as the names Stith and Drury descended regularly in the family. *Hardaway family* QUARTERLY, XX, 216.—EDITOR.]

4. *Anne Stith*[2] (John[1]) (21 QUARTERLY, p. 184), md. (2nd wife of) Robert Bolling and had issue:
   i. Robert Bolling.
   ii. Stith Bolling.

iii. Edward Bolling.
iv. Anne Bolling.
v. Drury Bolling.
vi. Thomas Bolling.
vii. Agnes Bolling.

(For the descendants of 3 and 4, *supra*, see Dr. Johnstone's "The Stith Family," 21 QUARTERLY.)

5. *Rev. William Stith*[3] (John,[2] John[1]) (21 QUARTERLY, p. 185) md. Judith Randolph, daughter of Thomas Randolph of Tuckahoe, and had issue:

i. Judith Stith d. unmd. June 17, 1773. (6 QUARTERLY, p. 126).

8. ii. Elizabeth Stith, md. Dr. William Pasteur of Williamsburg, d. 1792.

iii. Mary Stith, d. unmd. 1816.

6. *Lieut.-Col. John Stith*[3] (John,[2] John[1]), erroneously stated by Dr. Johnstone to have been the son of Lieut.-Col. Drury Stith[2] and his wife, Susanna Bathurst, was the second son of Capt. John Stith[2] and his wife Mary Randolph, and younger brother of Rev. William Stith, President of William and Mary College. He was of Charles City County; and married Elizabeth Anderson, dau. of Rev. Charles Anderson of Westover, and his wife, Frances. In 1739 the will of Mrs. Frances Anderson was presented in Court by Frances Anderson, one of the executors, John Stith in behalf of his wife, admitted executor, and Jane and Charlotte Anderson the other executors. *Charles City County Records,* (4 QUARTERLY, p. 127). Lieut.-Col. John Stith and his wife, Elizabeth Anderson, had issue:

9. i. Anderson Stith, md. before 1765 Joanna Bassett, dau. of William Bassett of Eltham, New Kent Co., and his wife, Elizabeth Churchill, d. 1768.

7. *Mary Randolph Stith*[3] (John,[2] John[1]) md. Commissary William Dawson. She was his first wife. Commissary Dawson's second wife was Elizabeth Bassett (*neé* Churchill)

widow of William Bassett of Eltham. Elizabeth Churchill was a daughter of William Churchill, the emigrant, and his wife, "Madame" Elizabeth Wormeley, (*neé* Armistead). (Keith's Ancestry of Benj. Harrison, p. 30.) By her first marriage with William Bassett Elizabeth Churchill had a daughter, Joanna Bassett, who married Anderson Stith, son of Lieut.-Col. John Stith and his wife, Elizabeth Anderson. (See "Anderson Stith," *Post.*)

"William Dawson was son of William of Aspatria, Cumberland, pleb. Queen's Cottage, matric. 11 March, 1719-20, B. A. 22 Feb., 1724-25 M. A. 1728; D. D. by Diploma 10 Feb., 1746-47, then President of Wiliamsburg College in Virginia." Foster's Oxford Matriculations. (2 QUARTERLY, p. 51 note. (2)).

Mary Randolph Stith and her husband, Commissary William Dawson had issue:

10. i. Colonel John Dawson of Williamsburg, mar. Mary Johnstone, dau. of Governor Gabriel Johnstone, of Edenton, N. C.

11. ii. Mary Dawson md. 1756, Ludwell Grymes.

8. *Elizabeth Stith*[4] (Wm.,[3] John,[2] John[1]) married Dr. William Pasteur of Williamsburg, and died in 1792. She is said by a writer in 3 QUARTERLY, p. 275, to have died without issue in that year. Dr. Johnston states (21 QUARTERLY, p. 185) that she d. s. p."; and follows this with the statement that she "had a son William Stith Pasteur (b. 12th November 1762) who seems to have died young."

An account of the Pasteur family is to be found in 3 QUARTERLY, pp. 274-5. Elizabeth Pasteur, who was probably a niece of Dr. William Pasteur, married Dec. 24, 1793, Richard Harrison Long, son of Col. Nicholas Long of Halifax, N. C. Richard Harrison Long was a brother of Mary Long, who md. Colonel Bassett Stith, son of Anderson Stith and Joanna Bassett. (Long Family Bible). Ann M. Pasteur, probably another niece of Dr. William Pasteur, was one of the witnesses to the will of Richard Harrison Long of Halifax, N. C., dated Feb.

17, 1810, prob. May Session 1810, Will Book 3, p. 99, Halifax Co., N. C. Fanny Pasteur, probably another niece of Dr. Pasteur, is named in the will of Mrs. Mary Long (*neé* Coupland), wife of Lunsford Long of Halifax, N. C., who was a brother of Mary Long, who married Col. Bassett Stith. (See *post* "Bassett Stith.") The will of Mrs. Mary Lunsford Long, who married Lunsford Long in 1799, (Long Family Bible), is dated May 25, 1811, and prob. November Session 1811, Will Book 3, p. 522 Halifax Co., N. C.

Dr. William Pasteur died March, 1791. In his will he mentions his wife, Elizabeth Pasteur, his nephew William Pasteur, his niece Anne Smith, and his sister Ann Craig, wife of Thomas Craig. Mrs. Pasteur died in 1792 intestate, and the fact that her sister, Mary Stith, who survived till 1816, was her sole distributee would indicate that any children which she and her husband, Dr. William Pasteur, might have had, had pre-deceased her. (Burwell vs. Anderson, 3 Leigh's Reports, 348.)

They had issue:

i. William Stith Pasteur, born Nov. 12, 1762 (3 QUARTERLY, 275) who appears to have died unm. and without issue.

9. *Major Anderson Stith*[4] (John,[3] John,[2] John[1]) was, as stated by Dr. Johnston (21 QUARTERLY, p. 191), a practicing lawyer in Charles City County in 1755. He married at Eltham, New Kent County, Va., some time before the year 1766, Joanna Bassett. daughter of Col. William Bassett (3rd) and his wife, Elizabeth Churchill, who, as heretofore narrated, was the second wife of Commissary William Dawson. Joanna Bassett's older sister, Elizabeth Bassett, was the wife of Benjamin Harrison, the Signer of the Declaration of Independence, and the ancestor of the Harrison Presidents. (Keith's Ancestry of Benj. Harrison, p. 30). A younger sister of Elizabeth and Joanna Bassett married Rev. Thomas Dawson, brother of Rev. William Dawson, and himself a President of William and Mary College. William Bassett (3rd), of Eltham, was

the son of William Bassett (2nd), and his wife, Joanna Burwell, daughter of Lewis Burwell (2nd) and his wife, Abigail Smith (2nd, p. 36).

Major Anderson Stith died in 1768 in King William County, Virginia, and his widow, who survived him, was living in 1774.

Anderson Stith and his wife, Joanna Bassett, had issue:

12. i. Colonel Bassett Stith, of Halifax, N. C., born in 1765, md. July 8, 1790, Mary Long, dau. of Colonel Nicholas Long, of Halifax, and his wife, Mary McKinne, and died there August, 1817. (Long Family Bible, in possession of Mrs. Gen. Junius Daniel, of Henderson, N. C. See McRee's Life of Iredell, for an account of the wedding of Col. Bassett Stith and Mary Long.)

ii. Elizabeth Stith, d. unmarried at Halifax, N. C., surviving her brother, Bassett, for many years.

ii. Major John Stith moved to Georgia.

10. *Colonel John Dawson*[4] (Mary Randolph Stith,[3] John,[2] John[1]), Williamsburg, Virginia, md. Mary Johnstone, daughter of Gabriel Johnstone, Colonial Governor of North Carolina, and his wife, Penelope Eden, who was a daughter of Charles Eden, also a Governor of North Carolina, from 1720 to 1722. Both the Johnstone and the Eden families were residents of Edenton, N. C. (Col. Cadwalader Jone's "Genealogical History." Privately printed, Columbia, S. C., 1900, page 66.)

Colonel John Dawson and his wife, Mary Johnstone, had issue:

i. William Johnstone Dawson, member U. S. Congress, (1793-1795).

13. ii. Penelope Eden Dawson md. Tristram Lowther, of North Carolina. "They had William, md. Annie Sawyer, Maria, md. Joseph B. Skinner. They had Tristram Skinner, a gallant officer, who fell at Sharpsburg, and Penelope, md. Thomas D. Warren, of Edenton." (Col. Jones' Genealogical History," p. 66.)

11. *Mary Dawson*[4] (Mary Randolph Stith,[3] John,[2] John[1]), married Ludwell Grymes. From Deed Book H. (1771-1774), Spotsylvania (Va.) County Records (p. 283), it appears that on May 18, 1771, Ludwell Grymes, of Orange Co., and Mary, his wife, conveyed to Thomas Walker of Fredericksburg, for £37 curr. Lot 236 in the town of Fredericksburg.

Mary Dawson Grymes will, dated May 15, 1787, and proved June 23, 1788, mentions her daughter, Hannah Grymes and her son John Grymes; and also gives legacies Mary Maury, daughter of Rev. Walker Maury, and to Mary Moore, daughter of William Moore. The executors were Hon. James Madison, Esq., Hardin Burnley, Thomas Barbour, Esq., and Mr. Henry Fry. (5 QUARTERLY p. 208.) In 1795 there is in the Orange records an account of John D. Grymes as administrator of Ludwell Grymes, in which he charges for expenses incurred by "travelling to Williamsburg to attend suits in the high court of chancery" between Ludwell Grymes and Walker Maury, and by having "the graves of his father and mother paled in." (Id.)

Mary Dawson and her husband, Ludwell Grymes, had issue:

14. i. Mary Grymes, md. Rev. Walker Maury.
15. ii. Elizabeth Johnstone Grymes, md. Rev. William Moore.
iii. John Dawson Grymes.
iv. Hannah Grymes.

12. *Colonel Bassett Stith*[5] (Anderson,[4] John,[3] John,[2] John[1]), was born at Eltham, New Kent Co., Va. in 1765. He married in Halifax, N. C., July 8, 1790, "at the age of 25," Mary, daughter of Colonel Nicholas Long of Quankey, Halifax, Co., N. C., and his wife, Mary McKinne. He was a member of the North Carolina House of Commons for the session of 1802 (Wheeler's Hist. N. C., vol. 2, p. 202). His will is recorded in Halifax, Will Book, No. 3, p. 607. It is dated Jan. 13 1816, and prob. August Session, 1817. It gives to his wife, Mary Stith, and all of his children

his estate to be equally divided, and names his sons, William Anderson Stith and Albert Augustus Bassett Stith (with others), "to be executors, when they shall arrive of lawful age." (Keith's Ancestry of Benj. Harrison, p. 30; Long Family Bible.)

Colonel Bassett Stith and his wife, Mary Long, had issue:

16. i. Maria Stith, md. Judge Joseph T. Daniel, of Halifax, N. C.

17. ii. Mary Long Stith, md. Edmund Freeman, of Raleigh, N. C.

18. iii. Virginia Stith, md. Nathaniel Macon Eaton, of Warrenton, N. C.

iv. William Anderson Stith, d. unmd.

v. Albert Augustus Bassett Stith, d. unmd.

19. vi. Nicholas Long Bassett Stith, md. Anna Austin Hill.

20. vi. Martha E. Stith, md. Gen. J. R. J. Daniel, of Halifax, N. C.

21. viii. Lavinia Bassett Stith, md. Robert Newsome, of Norfolk, Va.

ix. Sarah Frances Washington Stith, b. Jan. 14, 1909, md. Gen. J. R. J. Daniel (his second wife) and died s. p. in Washington, D. C., Nov. 26, 1895.

13. *Penelope Eden Dawson*[5] (Col. John Dawson,[4] Mary Randolph Stith,[3] John,[2] John[1]), married Tristram Lowther, of Bertie Co., N. C., son of William Lowther, of New York, and Barbara Gregory, his wife. William Lowther's will, March 28, 1782, is recorded in the clerk's office of of the Superior Court at Edenton, N. C. It names his wife, Barbara. Tristram Lowther's will, Feb. 18, 1796, is recorded in the same office. It names his wife, Penelope and Samuel Johnstone, James Iredell, and his bro.-in-law, Wm. Johnstone Dawson (2 N. C. Hist and Genealogical Register, Edenton, N. C., p. 8).

Penelope Eden Dawson and Tristram Lowther, her husband, had issue:

22. i. William Dawson Lowther, md. Eliza Ann Sawyer.

23. ii. Maria Louise Lowther, md. Nov. 16, 1804, Joseph Blair Skinner.

14. *Mary Grymes*[5] (Mary Dawson,[4] Mary Randolph Stith,[3] John,[2] John[1]) married Rev. Walker Maury.

They had issue:

i. James Maury.

24. ii. Mary Stith Maury married W. Hay.

25. iii. Ann Tunstall Maury md. Isaac Hite.

26. iv. William Stith Maury md. A. Woolfolk.

27. v. Leonard Hill Maury md. V. Campbell.

28. vi. Penelope Johnstone Fontaine Maury md. Robert Polk. (Huguenot Emigration to Va.)

15. *Elizabeth Johnstone Grymes*[5] (Mary Dawson[4] Mary Randolph Stith,[3] John,[2] John[1]), married Rev. William Moore. She died March 31, 1852, in the 87th year of her age.

In 5 QUARTERLY, p. 208, is reproduced an obituary of Mrs. Moore, which appeared in the Nashville, Tenn., *Republican Banner*, April 15, 1852, stating that she was born in Gloucester County, Va., and was "the second daughter of Ludwell and Mary Grymes, and the granddaughter of Rev. William Dawson of William & Mary College." Her parents removed to Burlington, their county-seat in Orange County, where she married the Rev. William Moore, then an itinerant Methodist minister, and afterwards settled in Fluvanna County, where they remained a few years, and then moved to the vicinity of Milton, N. C., where they raised their family, and in 1820 removed to Robertson County, Tenn." (5 QUAR., 208). Elizabeth Johnstone Grymes and Wm. Moore, her husband, had issue:

i. ——— —— Moore, md. W. C. Richmond, of Robertson Co., Tenn.

ii. ——— —— Moore, md. ——— —— Durrett, and had issue:

iii. ——— —— Moore, md. Durrett Richards, of Nashville, Tenn., and died about 1820, leaving issue: (5 QUAR., 208-209.)

(To Be Continued.)